

Net Neutrality, Title II

In reviewing Chairman Pai's regulatory philosophy it seems he has a few simple principles. Rules that reflect these principles will result in more innovation, more investment, better products and services, lower prices, more job creation, and faster economic growth.

1. Consumers benefit most from competition, not preemptive regulation. Free markets have delivered more value to American consumers than highly regulated ones.
2. No regulatory system should indulge arbitrage; regulators should be skeptical of pleas to regulate rivals, dispense favors, or otherwise afford special treatment.
3. Particularly given how rapidly the communications sector is changing, the FCC should do everything it can to ensure that its rules reflect the realities of the current marketplace and basic principles of economics.
4. As a creature of Congress, the FCC must respect the law as set forth by the legislature.
5. The FCC is at its best when it proceeds on the basis of consensus; good communications policy knows no partisan affiliation.

Rule one I whole heartedly agree, with the exception that when competition is stifled by allow the majors; AT&T, Verizon, Comcast, etc. players to regulate rivals, dispense favors, or otherwise afford special treatment for a pay to play schemes the consumer lose out.

Rule two is in conflict with my understanding of "Net Neutrality". If "Net Neutrality" is removed the major players; AT&T, Verizon, Comcast, etc. would have the power to regulate rivals, dispense favors, or otherwise afford special treatment as well as hinder the customer experience and service.

In today's business environment consumers benefit most from competition only when there is a level playing field. When the major players control the field existing and startup companies will have to pay to play at a cost that prevents them to play so for Chairman Pai to state his regulatory philosophies Rule #5; "FCC should do everything it can to ensure that its rules reflect the realities of the current marketplace and basic principles of economics." Is to say something different then what we the consumer will lose if "Net Neutrality" it removed totally.

I urge Chairman Pai and the Commission to consider protecting; innovation, investment, better products and services, lower prices, more job creation, and faster economic grow, not at a cost to consumers. As a tax payer and voter, I feel we need solid understandable reform that protects consumers, encourage growth and maintains a level playing field and not give a few companies the right to rule over others through the power the government provides.